

DODGE COUNTY
JUDICIAL AND PUBLIC PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING
November 1, 2019 DRAFT

Call to order: Meeting was called to order by Chair, MaryAnn Miller at 8:06 a.m.; a quorum was established with the following members present:

MaryAnn Miller, Dan Hilbert, and Thomas Nickel. *(Eugene Wurtz and Larry Schraufnagel were excused from attending)*

Also Present: Brian Pfitzinger-Circuit Court Judge; Lynn Hron-Clerk of Courts; Kurt Klomberg-District Attorney; Bob Barrington-District Attorney Managing Attorney; Bernie Mueller-Child Support Agency; Dale Schmidt-Dodge County Sheriff; Scott Mittelstadt-Chief Deputy; Patrick Schoebel-Medical Examiner (arrived 8:12 a.m.); Gina Steinke-Br. 2 Judicial Assistant.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Thomas Nickel to approve Minutes of October 4, 2019 and Special Meeting on October 10, 2019; second by Dan Hilbert. Motion carried.

Communications/Announcements: Chair Miller announced that Dan Hilbert was elected as Vice-Chair due to the resignation of Larry Schraufnagel from this position.

Clerk of Courts: *(handout provided)* Lynn Hron provided statistics relating to payment plan collections for criminal cases. Lynn stated that as of October 31, 2019 approximately 81% of defendants are current on their payment plan schedules vs. only 19% of defendants being current on their payment plans in 2016 when the payment program began. Traffic cases remain steady at an 85% collection rate.

Question by Thomas Nickel – are warrants ever issued for non-payment? Judge Pfitzinger responded no.

Medical Examiner: PJ Schoebel began his presentation but due to a medical emergency the meeting was temporarily recessed.

*Temporary recess of meeting at 8:17am.
Meeting called back to order at 8:35am.*

Sheriff Office: Scott Mittelstadt stated expenditures are right where they're supposed to be at this time. There are some unknown expenses re: some long term employees who retired and have large payouts. Dale Schmidt stated those costs get absorbed into the budget, the budget has been tight but once again they likely will be returning money to the general fund as historically has been done except the 1 year when J-pod was closed causing a significant shortage in revenues.

Question by Thomas Nickel re: firearms – Dale Schmidt stated when a firearm of the Sheriff's Dept. gets sold to someone they now have the registration transferred.

External audit review oversight: Vice-Chair Dan Hilbert reported the group met three times, first meeting was in regard to staffing and resolutions and the last meeting was re: jail costs. When the review is complete they will make a report.

Committee Member Reports – WCA Steering Committee for Judicial & Public Safety:
This agenda item was deferred to the next meeting.

Informational Presentation – Tenant/landlord from court's view: This agenda item was also deferred to the next meeting.

Next Meeting: Friday, December 6, 2019 at 8:00 a.m. at the Dodge County Justice Facility.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned by Chair MaryAnn Miller at 8:45 a.m.

Disclaimer: The above minutes may be approved, amended or corrected at the next committee meeting.

Thomas Nickel, Secretary

Gina M. Steinke, Recording Secretary